



Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box.

P.O. Box 21, 08-00

Approved for use through 10/31/2002 (OMB 0651-0003)

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

For the Paperwork Reduction Project (08-00) persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

TRANSMITTAL FORM <i>to be used for all correspondence after initial filing</i>	Application Number	09 914,378
	Filing Date	August 28, 2001
	First Named Inventor	Nobuki MATSUI et al.
	Group Art Unit	1764
	Examiner Name	
Total Number of Pages in This Submission	Attorney Docket Number	"40819-62"

ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply <input type="checkbox"/> After Final <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declarations <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request <input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts Incomplete Application <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53	<input type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers for an Application <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers <input type="checkbox"/> Petition <input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation/Change of Correspondence Address <input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund <input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to Group <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Remarks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-2880 for the above identified docket number.	

RECEIVED
JAN 08 2002
TC 1700

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT	
Firm or Individual name	Donald R. Studebaker, Reg. No. 32,815 Nixon Peabody LLP 8180 Greensboro Drive Suite 800 McLean, VA 22012
Signature	
Date	October 31, 2001

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING	
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231 on this date: 31-01	
Type or printed name	Jeannie Saxton
Signature	
Date	October 31, 2001
Barden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 0.2 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.	



Docket No. 740819-627

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT Application of)
Nobuki MATSUI et al.)
Serial No. 09 914,378) Art Unit: 1764
Filed: August 28, 2001)
For: SHIFT CONVERSION UNIT)

RECEIVED
JAN 08 2002
TC 1700

REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF DOCUMENTS CITED
IN INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

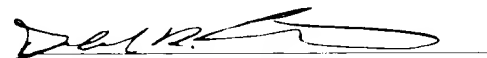
Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is requested, in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56 and 37 CFR 1.97-1.99, that the references cited in the International Search Report dated February 20, 2001 (copy enclosed herewith) be considered and made of record in the subject application. These references are listed on the Form PTO-1449 submitted herewith.

Copies of the references are not submitted herewith inasmuch as copies of the references have been provided to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office as indicated in the Notification of Acceptance dated October 11, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,


Donald R. Studebaker
Registration No. 32,815

Nixon Peabody LLP
8180 Greensboro Drive, Suite 800
McLean, Virginia 22102
(703) 790-9110

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on 10-31-01.

